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ONLY babies need politicians in their ability to say things that sound well and mean nothing. The Times has printed the Republican and Democratic platforms in abridged form.

WITH THE TOAST AND TEA

GOOD EVENING. The brave man seeks not popular applause. Nor, overpowered with arms, deserts his cause.

WHEN YOU'VE DONE YOUR BEST When you've done your best my boy, And feel the bitter smart, Don't let defeat destroy The hope within your heart.

When you've done your best and still Are stubbornly denied The triumph that would fill Your eager breast with pride.

Let rivals watching you Their secret joy forget As you proceed to do, A little better yet.

A woman is all right in her way, provided it is her own way.

The baseball magnate isn't always a diamond in the rough.

The man who is as steady as clock work isn't the one who lives on tick.

Some Coos Bay people come to grief and others quite satisfied to let it overtake them.

Many a little shaver grows up to be a poor preacher when he might have developed into a good barber.

Some Marshfield women know that safety razor blades are not nearly so effective as the old sort for cutting dress patterns.

THE QUIET OBSERVER SAYS "Young girls are warned that driving with the boys while driving an automobile is extremely dangerous. It won't 'mix' any better than gasoline and booze."

STORY OF THE DAY There are some Marshfield people who would be in much the same position of Mr. McPee if they should wander off to the city.

"I say, you, what you been doin'?" "Nothing," replied Mr. McPee. "Why?"

"Well, what's the crowd following you for?" "If you have anything to sell, trade or rent, or want help, try a Want Ad

CURRY COUNTY MUTT AND JEFF SOCIALISTS OREGON MEN

Hold Convention In Gold Tom Stevens, Douglas County Gambler, Said to Be Original Mutt.

The Socialist Convention was held at Gold Beach June 10th, and nominated the following ticket and transacted the usual convention business. Great harmony prevailed and talent and delegates of steady habits and fine appearance, marked the convention.

COOS COUNTY SOCIALIST TICKET

Will Hold Referendum Nomination Next Sunday Coos County Socialists will nominate a full county ticket next Sunday. They will observe the referendum method of nominating and all Coos county locals will vote on candidates at their meeting next Sunday.

PORTERS GET CONCESSIONS

Florence Grants Them Use of Streets for Their Big Sawmill.

FLORENCE, Or., July 8.—Andrew Porter and Dan Bruhn are here in the interest of the Tidewater Mill company, a corporation headed by Porter Brothers, which has just taken over the holdings of the Oregon and California Lumber company, consisting of a sawmill here and a large amount of valuable timber land in the Siuslaw valley.

Porter Brothers have the contract for the railroad line to be built from Eugene to Coos Bay with the exception of the 18 miles nearest Marshfield. A mass meeting was held here Monday evening and was addressed by Mr. Porter and Fred Hollister, president of the bank here, who laid before the meeting the offer of the company to pay \$5000 toward the purchase of a tract of tideland comprising about 13 1/2 acres in Florence which they must have.

They also ask for the use of two streets bordering on the mill property, agreeing that at any time the company ceases to use these streets for mill purposes they shall revert to the town.

A written expression in favor of allowing the company the use of the streets was signed by 56 of those present. It is the intention to enlarge the mill work to begin in the near future. This enterprise will give Florence a payroll of nearly \$30,000 a month.

RANDON WOOLEN MILL BUSY.

The Randon Woollen Mills are running day and night now and will continue to do so all during the month of July. This was made necessary in order to get out some runs orders for New York and Detroit and to catch up with the work, so the mill can shut down some time during the month of August, for repairs. The mill has been running steadily for over a year without any interruption for repairs, and they will have many orders ahead.—Randon Recorder.

"In a contest between Taft, Roosevelt and the devil, I'll support the devil," says Morse Henry Watterson. Colonel Watterson's candidate could undoubtedly carry Kentucky, having been raised there.

Coos Bay people, in common with other residents of the United States, who have followed the fortunes of Mutt and Jeff cartoons will be interested in knowing that the originals of these two famous funny creations of Bud Fisher, the cartoonist, are Oregon men, one of them a resident of Douglas county. The Roseway Review tells the story as follows:

Roseburg people who have enjoyed many a laugh over the funny and clever cartoons of Mutt and Jeff will be surprised to learn that the original of Mutt is a native Douglas county man and that of Jeff a former lawyerman of Burns, Or. W. W. Cardwell, the well known Roseburg attorney, imparts this interesting information. The prototype of Mutt is Tom Stevens, who was born at Looking Glass, and the creation of Jeff was inspired by the appearance of "Scotty" Ferguson, the companion of Stevens.

Stevens, who now lives at Burns, is about 4 feet, 4 inches tall and very lanky. Ferguson died at Emeryville, Cal., about a year ago. He was a Scotchman, not over five feet tall, with a bulldog face, as Cardwell describes him, and with whiskers just as they are pictured in the Jeff cartoons. Stevens is a professional gambler, and many of the old-timers around here pronounce him the smoothest poker player that ever sat at a card table in these parts. About twenty years ago he was sent to the state penitentiary for a short term for larceny. The rest of the story is told by Attorney Cardwell thus:

"After Stevens was released from the penitentiary, he drifted out to Burns and fell in with Ferguson, who was conducting a livery stable which he established with savings of \$2000 or \$3000 from wages earned in the employ of old Pete French, a heavy land owner in that locality in those days. Stevens and Ferguson became fast friends and ultimately business partners—that is, Stevens furnished the ideas and Ferguson the money. Their chief hobby was race horses. One day they decided to go to Emeryville, Cal., where the race horse game was then in the hey-day of its existence. They invested in several good nags and for a time fortune smiled on them. But the inevitable happened. Their horses began to come under the wire too late and their money gradually left them. It was during this period of reverses that the idea of the characters of Mutt and Jeff was born in the mind of Bud Fisher, the Examiner cartoonist. When a Stevens-Ferguson horse lost a race, the two men would immediately turn on each other with volleys of curse-laden words of blame within plain earshot of the amused spectators. The sight of this ill-sorted pair so frequently engaged in exchange of invective became the subject of humorous comment among the sporting fraternity and Cartoonist Fisher hit upon the plan to put them in picturedom on the sporting supplement of the Examiner. It made a big hit right at the start and it ultimately put Fisher in the front rank of America's laugh-makers.

Stevens finally drifted back to Burns when the California Legislature put a stop to the racing game. The shock was too much for Scotty, however, and three months later he "washed in" for the last time.

GOLD BEACH NUGGETS

News Items Gleaned From the Columns of The Globe. C. H. Bailey made a trip to Harbor last week buying wool. The top price so far being offered is 21 1/2 cents.

The Gold Beach postoffice has now been made a U. S. Postal Savings Bank. The order was made several weeks ago and took effect July 1st.

After an absence of about ten years, Robert Smith, a brother of Albert Smith, of Hunters Creek, returned to his friends and scenes of his childhood days last week. He was renewing old acquaintances in town last week and at the same time introducing his wife who accompanied him here.

H. P. Jantsen came in from Windy Valley a few days ago to spend the Fourth here. He reports grass on the high mountains very abundant this year. The forest rangers he says have strung three strands of barbed wire from one tree to another around Snow Camp prairie, reserving that valuable homestead from settlement, yet there are many hide-bound Republicans that claim the reserve is not antagonistic to the settlement of the country.

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COOS BAY GIRL DISAPPEARS

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of having educated me to a convent, so he could marry me, and he said he gave me \$100 to buy my trousseau! And the truth is that he never saw me in his life until he met me on the City of Seattle coming from Seattle; and he never gave me a single present—not even an engagement ring; say no less of \$100 to buy a trousseau. The end!"

A very indignantly little girl is what the story she tells of the whole affair is so like the story that many an indiscreet girl could tell—how fortunate that she—that it ought to be printed in pamphlet form and given out on the street corners to passing girls.

She seems to be just a wholesome, unassuming, self-reliant, pretty American girl—a working girl, earning her living in a tailor shop—with the usual girlish weakness for romance. Word comes from her home in Marshfield that she was an all-right girl, well thought of, with respectable family connections and the last girl in the world to risk her good name as an adventuress.

Girl Was on Vacation.

"I was giving myself a little vacation by making a visit to San Francisco, and I didn't know a soul on the boat when I got on at Seattle Tuesday, two weeks ago. This Mr. Laurier came up to me and the girl who shared my stateroom and entered into conversation with us pretty freely. He told us who he was, and when the captain heard his name he had him seated at his table. There was another passenger from Canada and he talked with her as if he knew all about Canada. He took to me and he seemed all right; he treated me in a gentlemanly way, and there seemed to be no reason why I shouldn't be friendly with a man like that.

"When we got here he seemed to be everything he represented himself to be. He showed me the paper in which was printed a speech he made at the Bohemian Club. Mr. Cunningham accepted him as Sir Wilfrid Laurier's nephew—and he knew Sir Wilfrid Laurier. A dandy man here whom I met with him did the same.

"He treated me nicely, seemed to care for me, and when he asked me to marry him about a week ago—" "Well, what would a girl do in a case like that?" He attracted me, and I—

"He'd told me about his home in Oregon that he'd take me to; that he had sold silver there, three dozen of everything—and things like that; that he was a barrister, and was just taking his regular four months' vacation.

"Of course it seemed like a splendid chance for me! Any girl in my place would have felt the same, wouldn't she?"

And I couldn't, knowing how easily girls are dazzled, say that any girl wouldn't."

"But now," she insisted with snapping eyes, "I wouldn't marry him under any circumstances—but any man who would tell such lies as he did!"

The Priest Was Convinced. "Why, he even satisfied Father McKenna, who was going to marry us, and who talked with him beforehand as a priest should, that he was all right. He believed in him!"

"And now he's brought all this notoriety on me—and worry to my people, who won't know what's happened to me until I can tell them! And here I am—a stranger, and alone—and my money all gone! How am I ever going to get back home and live this down?"

There she was—an angry, worried, frightened girl—letting the cat out of the bag.

"Don't," she said, "please don't put that in the paper—about me not having money!"

But I think it best that I should—don't you? Just to show what can happen to a girl when she goes away from home.

She spent her money, her friend in the flat explained, buying a new hat and a few pretty things to get married for; thinking she'd have no need of the bit of money of her own after she married so well, to the nephew of Canada's Premier.

She's a very much hurt and crestfallen little girl, with all this experience—and no ticket home; and she sobs, while her angry brown eyes strain through the tears:

"Anyhow, this is a lesson to me! I'll never speak to ANY man again in all my life!"

Mrs. Otto Gustovson and daughter Miss Fannie of Loon Lake were Marshfield visitors yesterday.

Robert Rooke is in Allegany from Loon Lake today.

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